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To: pbscommissions; Julia Krog; James Feenan; Nash Gonzalez
Subject: public comments CDP_2021-0051
Attachments: CDFW comment on incomplete CDP_2021-0051 (AT&T) .pdf; SCAN0019.JPG

To County staff,

In your staff report you list some information from a letter by Lee A. Margadant, Environmental Scientist Coastal Conservation Planning Ca. Dep. of Fish & Wildlife.

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I am referring to the part below (complete letter attached).

"In addition to the botanical survey a wetland assessment should occur to address the possible presence of a Coastal Act wetland onsite.

Contemporary and historical aerial imagery indicates that a potential wetland may be present on the right of way. Wetlands are under the jurisdiction of US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and/or the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) and impacts may require permits from those agencies. The wetland assessment should provide information on the three parameters as described in the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual (Corps 1987) and Arid West Supplement (Corps 2010) to determine if potential wetlands are present. The wetland assessment survey may also be amended to be appropriate for the linear project area and the visual 3-5 feet adjacent to the right of way."

I wonder why the staff report does not have information about the permits from the US Army Corps of Engineers, and/or the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Were they ever notified to have input in regards to the potential wetlands listed on on the LCP Land Use Map 19; Navarro (Attachment G, see below)? The Recommended Condition #13 seems to me to be a rather meaningless Recommendation without any further clarification about the Equipment Exclusion Zone within the wetland and without further information what resulted after the County received the letter from CDFW. If the suggestion by CDFW was not followed up on it seems premature to vote on this After-the-fact Standard CDP. Also how would the public know what transpired after the County received this letter? The staff report is lacking in regards to this information. Transparency helps.

Thank you for considering my input.

Sincerely, Annemarie Weibel

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Please let me know that you received this e-mail. Thanks, Annemarie

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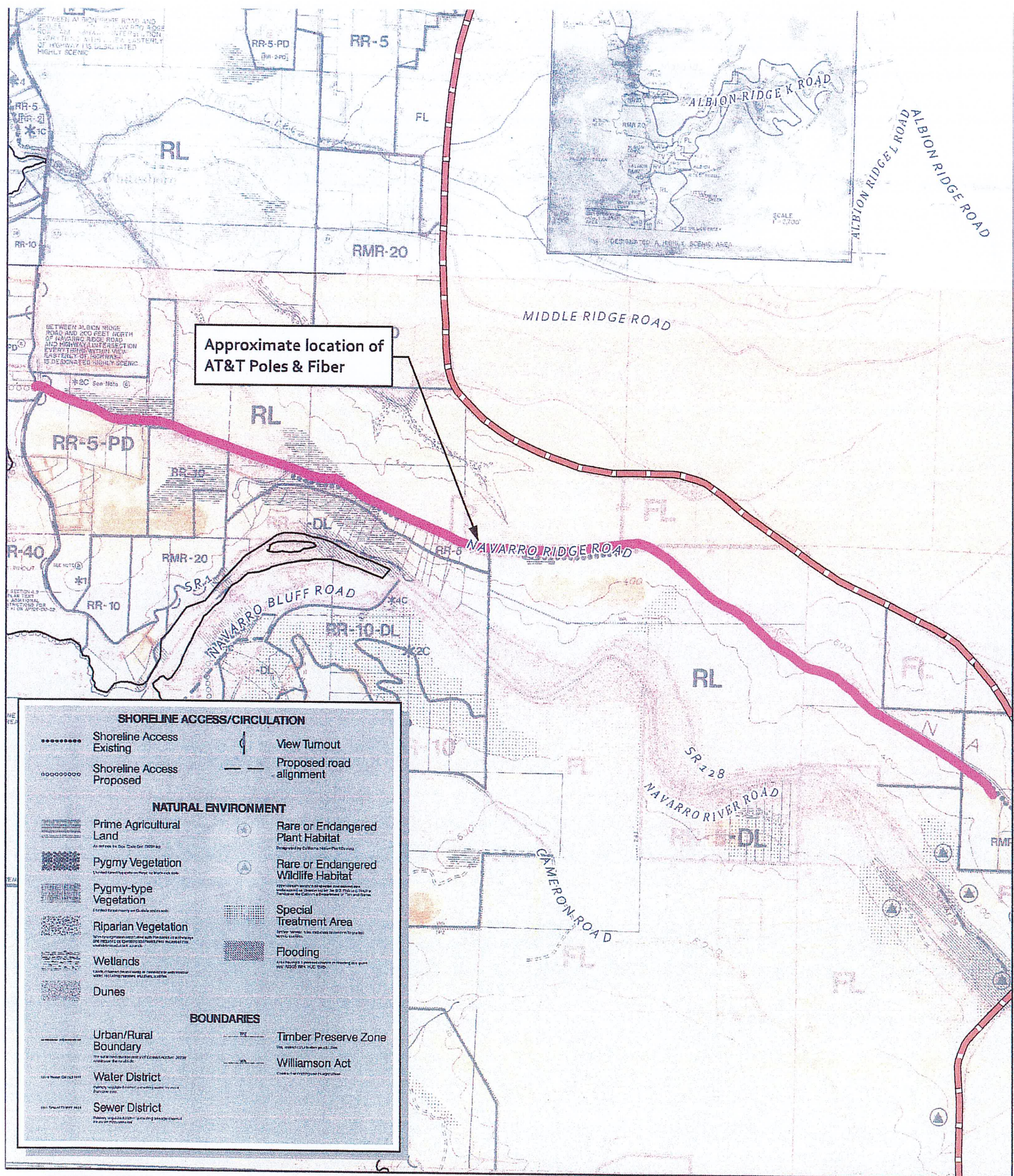
Hi Julia,

Thank you for the referral and the opportunity for the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) to comment on CDP_2021-0051 (AT&T) on APN 123320RW. CDFW offers the following informal comments and recommendations on this Project in our role as a Trustee and Responsible Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA; California Public Resource Code section 21000 et seq.). These comments are intended to help the Lead Agency in making informed decisions in the review process.

CDFW has reviewed the after the fact incomplete permit application and agree that a biological survey should be included for the site. In the absence of a biological assessment of the project area, the presence and extent of sensitive biological resources within the project area is not known. CDFW understands that due to the nature of the linear right of way in which the poles occur that the survey technique may be amended to cover the project area. A botanical survey of the project right of way and the visual 3-5 feet adjacent to it on either side would be sufficient to establish any biological resources of concern which might occur. The biological assessment should include vegetation and rare plant surveys, conducted following *Protocols for Surveying and Evaluating Impacts to Special Status Native Plant Populations and Natural Communities* (CDFW2018).

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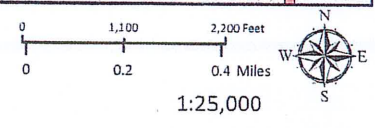


Approximate location of AT&T Poles & Fiber

SHORELINE ACCESS/CIRCULATION	
-----	Shoreline Access Existing
-----	Shoreline Access Proposed
-----	View Turnout
-----	Proposed road alignment
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT	
-----	Prime Agricultural Land
-----	Pygmy Vegetation
-----	Pygmy-type Vegetation
-----	Riparian Vegetation
-----	Wetlands
-----	Dunes
-----	Rare or Endangered Plant Habitat
-----	Rare or Endangered Wildlife Habitat
-----	Special Treatment Area
-----	Flooding
BOUNDARIES	
-----	Urban/Rural Boundary
-----	Water District
-----	Sewer District
-----	Timber Preserve Zone
-----	Williamson Act

CASE: CDP 2021-0051
OWNER: County of Mendocino
APN: Various
APLCT: AT&T California
AGENT: Bernie Sopp, AT&T
ADDRESS: Navarro Ridge Road

Location of AT&T Poles & Fiber
 Coastal Zone Boundary
 Public Roads
 Private Roads



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